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PATENT APPLICATION  
(37 CFR 1.63)**

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Filing Date	Herewith
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Examiner Name	TBA

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

**VARIABLE FOCUS LENS**

the specification of which

*(Title of the Invention)*

is attached hereto  
OR

was filed on (MM/DD/YYYY) **6 APRIL 2000** as United States Application Number or PCT International

Application Number **09/529 193** and was amended on (MM/DD/YYYY) \_\_\_\_\_ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or 365(a) of any PCT international application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application Number(s)	Country	Foreign Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Priority Not Claimed	Certified Copy Attached?
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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## DECLARATION — Utility or Design Patent Application

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U.S. Parent Application or PCT Parent Number	Parent Filing Date (MM/DD/YYYY)	Parent Patent Number <i>(if applicable)</i>	
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As a named inventor, I hereby appoint the following registered practitioner(s) to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith: <input type="checkbox"/> Customer Number <input type="text"/> → <span style="float: right;"><i>Place Customer Number Bar Code Label here</i></span> <b>OR</b> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Registered practitioner(s) name/registration number listed below			
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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001 and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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**DECLARATION****ADDITIONAL INVENTOR(S)  
Supplemental Sheet**

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<b>Name of Additional Joint Inventor, if any:</b>		<input type="checkbox"/> A petition has been filed for this unsigned inventor				
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VERIFIED STATEMENT (DECLARATION) CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS  
(37 CFR 1.9 (f) and 1.27 (c)) -- SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN

I hereby declare that I am

the owner of the small business concern identified below  
 an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

NAME OF CONCERN UNIVERSITE JOSEPH FOURIER

ADDRESS OF CONCERN 621, Avenue Centrale, B.P. 53, 38041 GRENOBLE CEDEX 9, FRANCE

I hereby declare that the above-identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern as defined in 13 CFR 121.3-18, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees under section 41 (a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby declare that rights under contract of law have been conveyed to and remain with the small business concern identified above with regard to the invention, entitled VARIABLE FOCUS LENS

by inventor(s) BERGE Bruno, PESEUX Jérôme

described in

the specification filed herewith  
 Application Serial No. 09/529 193, filed 6 APRIL 2000.  
 Patent No. \_\_\_\_\_, issued \_\_\_\_\_.

If the rights held by the above-identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights to the invention is listed below\* and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who could not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or by any concern which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e).

\*NOTE: Separate verified statements are required from each named person, concern or organization having rights to the invention averring to their status as small entities. (37 CFR 1.27)

FULL NAME UNIVERSITE JOSEPH FOURIER

ADDRESS SAME AS ABOVE

Individual       Small Business Concern       Nonprofit Organization

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I acknowledge the duty to file, in this application or patent, notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

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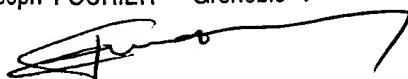
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